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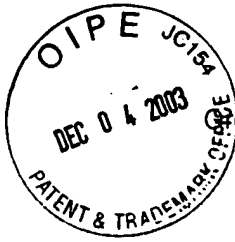
In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. 09/840,878

Filed: April 25, 2001

Title: IRON COMPOUND CATALYST FOR INHIBITING GENERATION OF DIOXIN AND
INCINERATION PROCESS OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE USING THE SAME



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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**

Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	8	minus highest number		
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00

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☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2003 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due October 16, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a two-month extension of time is \$420 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now December 16, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment and

Response is being timely filed.